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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## GOV. FORT IS FIRM

Will Stand by Proclamation Un- equivocally.

## DEFIANCE OF ATLANTIC CITY

Governor Says He Is Not Attempting to Intimidate by Threats, but Is Determined to Enforce the Laws of the State of New Jersey.

Seagirt, N. J., Aug. 29.—Governor Fort made the following statement Friday concerning his proclamation of Thursday and the defiance of Atlantic City, that he dare not call out the militia to enforce the Bishop law. "I will stand on my proclamation unequivocally. I mean every word. The people will learn that I am not attempting to intimidate by threats." Through a member of Governor Fort's "summer cabinet" it was learned that before issuing his proclamation he sounded the attitude of various members in the legislature and was given assurances that if he called a special session they would stand by him and provide what assistance they could to enforce the law at At-



GOVERNOR FORT.

lantic City. He was assured that despite the revolt of Atlantic City, the legislature would authorize him to enforce the law there even to the necessity of patrolling the resort with state troops and placing it under martial law. Thereupon the proclamation issued with the threat to call a special session. But it is said on the same authority that the governor did not receive the same assurances on his desire to obtain authority for the removal of officers who fail to perform their duties. He has asked the legislature for this power in the past, and it has been denied.

It is fully believed here that on next Monday Atlantic City will continue its defiance of the government and will be wide open as in the past.

Advices have reached the governor already that such would be the case and there can be no doubt that the call for the special session will follow. If issued the call will probably appear on Tuesday and will demand Atlantic City in terms more severe than the proclamation.

## HIS LAST VOYAGE.

High Chilean Naval Official Called by Death.

Panama, Fla., Aug. 29.—Charles E. Hill, for twenty years holding a commission in the American navy as first lieutenant, which he resigned to become captain in the Brazilian navy, commanding the cruiser Natchez, and who afterwards was rear admiral in the Chilean navy, died at this place Thursday.

In addition to serving in three navies, Hill was a captain of volunteers in the Spanish-American war, and was later mustered out of service, went to South Africa, where he was commissioned a captain in the Boer war, serving under General Cronje. Admiral Hill was formerly a cadet at Annapolis, Md.

## HELD WITHOUT BAIL.

Case of a Captain Peter Hains and His Brother.

New York, Aug. 29.—Captain Peter C. Haines, of the United States army, who shot and killed William E. Annis at Bay Side, L. I., nearly two weeks ago, and Captain Hains' brother, T. Jenkins Hains, a writer for magazines, who it is charged, held the spectators at bay while the captain did the killing, were arraigned in Magistrate Gilroy's court in Long Island City Friday on a charge of murder.

T. Jenkins Hains is accused of being an accessory to the murder, while the captain is alleged to be the principal. The announced intention of Captain Hains' counsel to plead insanity as his defense, together with sensational charges which Captain Hains' counsel have made against the captain's wife, involving an alleged confession by her of improper friendship for Annis, have given the case unusual interest.

It was expected that the counsel for T. Jenkins Hains would endeavor to have the charges against him dismissed on the ground that he took actual part in the killing and that what he did was to protect his brother. The Hains brothers were taken from the Queens county jail handcuffed together and rode on a street car in the custody of a deputy sheriff to Magistrate Gilroy's court.

Captain Hains and his brother, T. Jenkins Hains, were held without bail for the action of a grand jury on a charge of the murder of William E. Annis.

## DROWNS HERSELF IN LAKE.

Prevented from Marrying Old Sweetheart, Girl Suicided.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 29.—It became known Thursday that Miss Mary Field Werne, who committed suicide by walking into Lake Michigan at the foot of Fifty-sixth street Thursday, was despondent because an illness that was largely imaginary prevented her marrying a devoted sweetheart.

A search of her room disclosed brief farewell messages to her father and the man she had hoped to marry, George Mansfield, a traveling salesman of El Paso, Tex.

Miss Werne had often threatened to jump into the lake if she was not soon sufficiently recovered to marry George. The girl graduated from a private seminary in El Paso, and broke down from over study some months ago.

Since the death of her brother, ten years ago, the young woman, who had just passed her twenty-first birthday, spent most of her time with her sister, Mrs. E. French, at El Paso. It was there, as a schoolgirl, several years ago, that she first met and fell in love with Mansfield. Her relatives approved the match, but prevented a wedding ceremony from taking place last spring because of her mental condition. This, it is said, aggravated her ailment.

## FRIGHTENED BY DREAM.

Woman Refused to Sail in Ship Bound for Italy.

New York, Aug. 29.—Crying that she had dreamed that the French line steamer La Touraine, which sailed for Havre Wednesday would go down at sea, Maria Fenelli refused to go aboard the vessel, although every effort was made to induce her to change her mind.

With her husband and seven children, Mrs. Fenelli was to have sailed for their old home in Alessandria, Italy, where they intended to spend their remaining days, but the strange omen that came to her in a dream had so thoroughly frightened the woman that she would not go on the vessel, and when the La Touraine steamed away, the woman with her little flock of children and an angry husband were still standing on the pier.

## STIFF RUN DOWN BY STEAMER.

Yerby, Indiana, Aug. 29.—John Yerby and Edward Conrad, aged fourteen, thirteen and eleven years, respectively, while in a skiff, were run down late Wednesday night by the steamer Cincinnati. The front half of the skiff containing the unconscious form of the youngest boy was found Thursday. It is believed the other two boys were killed.

## FOURTEEN LIVES LOST

Result of Great Flood at Augusta, Georgia.

A LOSS OF OVER \$1,000,000

For Forty-Six Hours the Turbulent Savannah Held the City in Flood's Grasp, Causing Loss of Life and Much Property Damage.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 29.—The reign of mud began Friday morning at daylight in the streets, and houses of Augusta, where for forty-six hours the turbulent Savannah had enslaved the city in its grasp.

At 6 o'clock Friday morning the city was free of water, except in the lowlands. Standing in lowest Broad street at that hour no water was in sight in any direction, but in its stead mud was everywhere from an inch to many inches deep.

Streets Washed Out. It will be days before normal conditions are restored. Streets have been washed almost away, sidewalks have in many instances completely disappeared, leaving only ragged holes and ditches to mark the place where the pavement was. The upper half of the houses and stores are white and clean, the first story yellow and covered with mud. The hand of the flood has been plainly marked by its trail throughout the city.

With the dawn of Friday came the second chapter of the greatest flood in the history of the city, and as the waters disappeared, hope and energy and better came to the rescue of the strong-hearted people who had sat in silence and at the mercy of raging torrents the day before.

Canal Locks Intact. A pleasant announcement is that the canal locks are intact, and only one break in the canal bank which can be easily repaired with a lower stage of water.

It is known that six persons were drowned Thursday in Augusta.

Harry Carr, bookkeeper for the Nixon Grocery company.

John Paul, a negro fireman on the Southern railroad, while attempting to free the river bridge approach of debris was swept overboard and sank in the raging torrent of the river.

A brakeman was drowned in Broad street flood later in the day.

Two negro draymen, while engaged in carting goods at the corner of Broad street and Marbury street, lost their lives in a swift street current, and their bodies were carried into the canal.

E. C. Omara is reported to have been drowned during the flood at McKinney street.

## Many Reported Dead.

Two negroes are believed to have been drowned Thursday, when the city bridge was swept away, many claiming to be eye-witnesses.

It is reported that a white man leaped from the second story of the Metropole going into the open cellar and drowning in the deep water there.

## Fires Follow Flood.

Since Wednesday noon the time the waters reached Broad street and the big flood was actually on, there have been five great fires in the city in addition to a number of smaller fires.

The fire department was compelled to join the spectators during the progress of the conflagrations, as the engines and wagons were covered by water and there was no human agency available in fighting flames. In nearly all instances, the fires burned to the water's edge.

## Epitome of Damage.

Many human lives reported lost—fourteen verified.

Total actual physical damage, one million dollars.

Great loss of live stock in city and suburbs and lowlands.

Damage to city property, a quarter of a million dollars.

Damage to railroads and railroad property one hundred thousand dollars.

Damage to telephone and telegraph companies, twenty-five thousand dollars.

Damage to merchants and local in-

dustries, two hundred thousand dollars.

Damage to residents, fifty thousand dollars.

Probable loss to mill operatives in the loss of wages, one hundred thousand dollars.

## Great Suffering.

Interest in August centers in the dead and the relief measures to be taken for the poor. The greatest suffering is along a deep gully known as Eridwell's Bottom and Perry's bottom. Here in instances the houses were submerged to the eaves, and the people have lost their all. The damage is estimated at from one and a half to two millions by the mayor and leading men.

An urgent appeal has been made for assistance by the Augusta Chronicle of Friday, the first issue since Wednesday last.

## ON HUMANE LINES.

Prison Reform Association of Georgia Asks for Charter.

Atlanta, Aug. 29.—Determined that the present treatment of convicts under the state laws should not go on, several prominent citizens throughout the state of Georgia have banded themselves together and formed a corporation to be known as the Prison Reform Association of Georgia.

They ask to be incorporated for a period of twenty years, with the privilege of renewal at the end of that time.

The general object of the proposed corporation is the development of an enlightened and humane spirit in the management, disposition and punishment of the criminals of the state; also the lessening and prevention of crime.

Atlanta is made the principal place of business, but the petitioners ask the right to establish offices in any town, city or county in the state of Georgia or in the United States, and to do business within or without the state of Georgia under this charter.

## CALIFORNIA REPUBLICANS.

Platform To Be Presented to Convention—Taft and Sherman Endorsed.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 29.—The committee on platform and resolutions of the republican state convention finished its work late Thursday night. The platform as it will be reported to the convention strongly endorses the national platform; pays a glowing tribute to Taft and Sherman, approves the constitution looking to a revisio of certain tariff schedules, but insists that all California industries be adequately protected.

It is pointed out that through the death of United States Senator Allison, Senator Perkins, as ranking member, becomes chairman of the naval committee and as such will be able to do much for naval affairs on the Pacific coast.

## REAL BEER FLOWED FREELY.

Eight Hundred Barrels Emptied in a Sewer at Oklahoma, Okla.

Oklahoma, Okla., Aug. 29.—Eight hundred barrels of beer, valued at \$80,000, belonging to a local brewery company, were emptied into a sewer in this city in the presence of State Dispensary Agent Robt. E. Lester and Internal Revenue Collector C. Howard.

Two thousand people attended the opening, some with buckets and pails, hoping for a chance of salvage. This hope was disappointed. The beer was on hand when the prohibition law became effective.

## Two New Battleships.

Washington, Aug. 29.—As soon as President Roosevelt approves the plans for the two new battleships, Dreadnaught type, they will be turned over to the naval constructor at the Brooklyn navy yard, where the Florida will be built. Advertisements for bids will be issued for construction of the Utah, the other 10,000-ton battleship, by contract.

## Money Order Clerk Arrested.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 29.—Chas. W. Brown, money order clerk of the postoffice at Harrison, Tenn., was arrested Thursday night by an inspector charged with the theft of ordinary letters from the mails.

## DEATH CLAIMS VILAS

Former Senator and Member of Cleveland's Cabinet.

HE DIED AT MADISON, WIS.

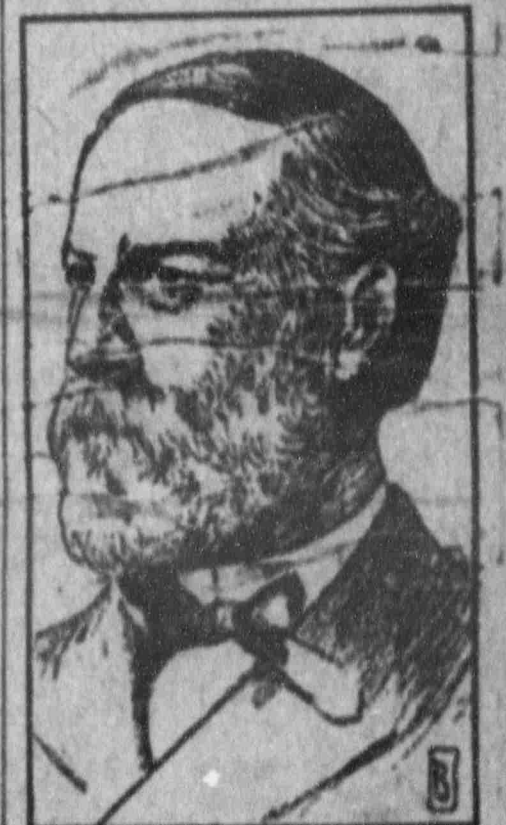
Mr. Vilas Had Been Ill For Several Weeks, His Death Following a Second Stroke of Paralysis—Had Conspicuous Public Career.

Madison, Wis., Aug. 29.—Colonel William F. Vilas died Thursday following five weeks of illness.

While the nurses were administering a bath to the patient, they noticed that he weakened very quickly. An attempt was made to reach the doctor, but Colonel Vilas died before he could be reached.

Dr. Fox believes that the immediate cause of the death was a second stroke of paralysis.

William Freeman Vilas was born in Chelsea, Vt., in 1840 and moved with



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his parents to Madison, Wis., in 1861. He was graduated in 1868 and practiced law in his home town until the outbreak of the civil war. He then recruited a company for the Twenty-third Wisconsin volunteers and went to the front. He was soon promoted for gallantry and as lieutenant colonel commanded his regiment in the Vicksburg campaign with conspicuous ability. After several years of active political life he was appointed postmaster general by President Cleveland in 1885. He served in that capacity until 1893, when he became secretary of the interior. That office he held until 1895. From 1891 to 1897 he was in the United States senate.

## CRAZY NEGRO RAN AMUCK.

Killed Two White Men Before Being Slain by Poses.

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 29.—A special to the Daily News from Mount Olive, Miss., says:

A crazy negro named Gus Bullock ran amuck here and killed Tom Gelling and Dolph Jones, two white men, and was afterwards slain by a posse of citizens who shot him to death as he was endeavoring to get his shirt off again into action.

Bullock held the town in a reign of terror for more than an hour. He was well supplied with ammunition and taking his stand on the principal street of the town fired at everything and everybody in sight. Both of his victims were killed instantly.

Galla was the proprietor of an ice house, while Jones conducted a mercantile establishment. Both were shot down without warning by Bullock.

## Fatal Duel on Train.

Fulton, Ky., Aug. 29.—Conductor John Maxwell, of Fulton, Ky., was shot three times in the abdomen by an unknown negro he had ordered off his train a few miles south of Fulton and the conductor fired six shots into the negro. The negro will die and there is no hope for the recovery of Maxwell.